

Stonewall

Stonewall, Sept. 4. — Mrs. C. M. Stratton has returned home from Norfolk, where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Dick Thomas and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Jobe and son, Billy and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Brown of Gladstone spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Drinkard and sons, Wade and Clayton, Jr. spent the weekend with relatives in Franklin, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beard and son, Lawrence, of Appomattox, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beard.

Over a hundred Lee Carter's returned home after spending a while in Nelson with relative.

Parks Jennings and his family are spending this week at Bolden's.

Little Winnie Anne Lee celebrated her fifth birthday last Sunday afternoon. A birthday cake was cut and ice cream served on the lawn at her home. Those present were: Wayne, Winkle and Barbara Jean Lee, Virginia and Billie Carter, Richard, Eloise and

Cubs lead in National League.

Busy Mayor Is One-Man 'Friend of the People'
WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis. — Few individuals are more active in behalf of a city's welfare than one T. J. ("Tom") Howley of this village.

He is virtually a one-man "friend of the people" — being mayor, chief of police, president of the chamber of commerce, special delivery mail man, ration board member and chairman of Kiwanis club activities — in this little city which is unique among the rural communities of America. Ninety per cent of its 1,700 population directly earn their living by serving needs of vacationists who for 70 years have been coming to see the fantastic Dells of the Wisconsin river. Remaining 10 per cent of the citizens are farmers and tradesmen, who are also indirectly dependent on tourists. In normal times 100,000 to 150,000 people visit here each summer.

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From where I sit . . . by Joe Marsh

Jeb Wilkins loses the wanderlust

Jeb Wilkins was always a great one for traveling. Two weeks a year he used to cover more ground than a Pullman conductor. Used to come back from vacations tuckered out.

But the war has changed all that. Gasoline shortages and saving space on trains for service men—has got Jeb spending his vacations home . . . and liking it!

"Never knew staying home could be such fun," says Jeb. "Outdoor barbecues . . . sitting around and chatting with the kids and family . . . basking in the sunshine with a glass of cold beer . . . that's living," Jeb says.

From where I sit, Jeb's discovered what millions of other Americans have learned through the war. Whether your choice is beer or butter, talk . . . horse shoes or checkers . . . a quiet book or a bit of friendly conversation with a neighbor—there's no place like home . . . where we grumble the most and get treated the best!

Joe Marsh

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Confesses Crime For Which Broker Went to Prison

Innocent Man Who Served 3 Years Is Cleared by Notorious Forger.

NEW YORK. — A man identified himself as one of the government agents as one of the "smoothest" check forgers in the country admitted in federal court that he was guilty of a forgery for which a former Wall Street broker was sent to Sing Sing in June, 1933, a special to the Chicago Tribune reports.

The man who confessed the crime is Alexander D. Thiel, 57, who on another forgery charged by Federal Judge Arthur D. Healey, Thiel's forgery since 1930 in various parts of the country were estimated to have netted \$180,000.

The innocent victim of Thiel's activities was identified by Assistant United States Atty. John J. Donovan as J. as Bertram M. Campbell, 57, who lives with his wife and three children at Floral Park, N. Y. Campbell was paroled after serving 3 years and 4 months of a 5 to 10 years' sentence. He has been working as a coal dealer's clerk, being unable to resume his Wall Street business.

Donovan said that Thiel opened an account in the Trust Company of North America here in November, 1937, under the name of F. W. Blackstone. He deposited checks for \$3,000 and \$4,575 drawn on the Central Hanover Bank and Trust company under the name of George Workmaster, and before the end of the month drew out \$3,150.

Tried to Aid Victim.
When Workmaster received his bank statement, he complained to the bank and the police. Campbell, similar in appearance to Thiel, was arrested, charged with the crime, and convicted when bank employees identified him as the man who opened the account. In addition, Thiel had given the bank the telephone number of a business office in which Campbell had had dealings in the past.

Thiel finally was arrested in March for another case while undergoing treatment for drug addiction in a hospital at Lexington, Ky. The forgery for which he was sent to prison involved a \$4,000 check drawn on a Boston bank.

Donovan said Thiel's conscience bothered him to the extent that he tried to help Campbell by committing a similar forgery early in 1941 to show the real criminal was still at large.

Campbell will ask Governor Dewey for a full pardon and will seek legislative permission to sue the state to recover damages for his false imprisonment.

Doughboy's Rifle Ends
Jap's Eerie Death Chant
WITH THE 24TH DIVISION NEAR DAVA, — For more than 15 minutes the lone Jap chanted his eerie song of death. Then he died.

It was in fierce fighting around Ula, west of Davao, P. I., where Lee, Leesville, La., veteran regiment with the 34th Infantry regiment, was on sentry duty that night, when he heard noise near his footlock. He picked out a target and fired.

Several seconds silence followed. Then the song filtered through the night, mournful and weird. The Jap chanted while the doughboys listened. The sharp flare of a machine gun stabbed through the night as the Jap lit a fuse. Lee's rifle cracked, and the explosive aid from a pair of lifeless hands, the fuse still sizzling. An instant later an explosion filled the air with grenade fragments and bits of Jap.

Helps Hubby Who Lost Four Limbs

Says She Finds Problem of Aiding Soldier Simple.

BATTLE CREEK. — Soldiers at Percy Jones hospital have become accustomed to seeing a pretty dark-haired girl with a quick smile and a southern accent, sitting in the corridor of their ward.

When she isn't there, they know she is in the room with her husband, M/Sgt. Frederic Hensel, the first soldier to lose parts of all four limbs in battle in this war.

She is Jewell Hensel, 41, five girl from the Kentucky hill country. The soldiers know what she didn't—that Sergeant Hensel will get well faster because of her and that there are women who, because they can't take it, aren't much help to their wounded husbands.

"I didn't know there were wives like that," she commented with honest surprise. Then she added, rather indignantly for her, "I don't see why there should be. They are the same men who went away. Inside they haven't changed a bit."

"You marry for better or worse, don't you?" she asked "and when you have trouble you have it together."

Tall and slender, Mrs. Hensel has long, wavy brown hair, big brown eyes and high cheekbones, which she inherited from her Cherokee Indian ancestors a few generations back.

Both the Hensels grew up on Kentucky farms—the sergeant, an orphan, lived with relatives in his youth. Eight years ago he joined the army, and five years later returned to Corbin, Ky., to marry Jewell Carver.

It was on June 2, after he had been overseas since March, 1944, that Hensel stepped on an anti-tank mine on Okinawa. The explosion blew off both legs, his left arm above the elbow and injured his right forearm so that it, too, had to be amputated.

Both the problem of helping her husband is very simple — she acts the way she feels. But first off, she doesn't think about herself.

Learn of Largest Flying Boat Built by Germans
HAMBURG. — The German aircraft industry had completed the world's largest flying boat, only to have it destroyed by American fighter planes, had tried unsuccessfully to replace buzz bombs with cheap glide-bombs, and had at least one new high altitude fighter ready for production when the surrender flanked them.

The mammoth seaplane was a 100-ton, six-engine monster built by Blohm and Voess in 1943 from plans drawn by Dr. Vogt for an ultra-long range reconnaissance craft for use over the Atlantic. It was about 25 tons heavier than the Martin Mars, currently the biggest American plane, and half the weight of the 300-ton Kaiser - Hughes flying boat now nearing completion at Culver City, Calif.

Artilleryman Discovers Marines Hard to Please
WITH THE MARINES. — As far as one artilleryman is concerned, it is impossible to do anything to please the marine infantry, says S/Sgt. J. B. F. Campbell Jr., a USMC combat correspondent.

The artilleryman made his gripe as he paused for a breath in his seemingly endless task of loading a smoking piece.

Little Guy's Big Appetite Amazes

Army Surgeons Can't Figure What Ails Him.

ATLANTA, GA. — Doctors don't know what's the matter with Pvt. Chester J. Salvatore.

Salvatore has a big appetite, a gargantuan appetite, an appetite that would appall even an elephant.

A breakfast of 40 eggs, 20 pieces of toast, several quarts of milk, eight pieces of bacon, a quart of coffee, and a box—a big box—of cereal is nothing unusual for the soldier from Southbridge, Mass.

And Salvatore isn't a big guy, too. He is 140 pounds and slightly less than average in height.

He tells friends that he once ate a 16-pound turkey one meal—without help. His favorite meal is pork chops, and he says he's eaten as many as 36 at a meal.

Physicians who have the little guy with the big appetite under observation at Fort McPherson station hospital say his stomach is a little larger than average, but not unusual.

They also say it may be that his craving for food is psychological, but they are not definite or unusual in his behavior.

Salvatore has been in the army four years and four months. In civilian life he likes to work in a grocery store or bakery. Once, he said, he worked for an optical company and nearly started to death.

Sentiment All Right Except During Battle
WITH THE MARINES—Gunnery Sgt. Anthony T. Lapkiewicz of Philadelphia, Pa., believes in a time for sentiment as long as that time isn't during battle with the Japs.

For 24 days, Lapkiewicz, a tank commander, battled the Nips from behind the army of his favorite tank, the "Avenger," says Leatherneck magazine.

Then one day in a Jap-infested gorge the "Avenger" hit a land mine. It was disabled and wouldn't budge. Lapkiewicz was forced to abandon his favorite after ripping out the breach of the tank's gun and removing the radio equipment.

The following day he went back to reclaim the "Avenger," but the concentration of enemy fire in the gorge made it impossible to approach the tank.

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Jap Plants Ruined By Canned Rockets

Weapon Evolved From One Chinese Used in 1232.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Canned rockets, components of which are packed in containers that open in the same fashion as a can of corned beef hash, are so effectively developed by the Japanese industry that they are now being used by their production during 1945 has been stepped up 300 per cent. Rear Adm. G. F. Hussey Jr., USN, chief of the bureau of ordnance, has revealed.

One of the major problems encountered in perfecting the rocket was that of protecting it from the hazards of transportation and weather en route to and on the battlefield. Government ordnance experts sought assistance from designers of the American can company.

Amazingly, the rockets are the result of the combined efforts of 12 different styles of mechanically sealed containers for various food products. As these containers can be automatically closed like the food can used for packing meats, the designers then succeeded in eliminating the previous method of slow hand packaging.

After its use by the Chinese in 1232 the rocket was used as an important weapon for six centuries. Under the name of "fire pot," it was credited with making considerable use of rockets against British troops in India in 1788, having had a corps of 1,200 "rocketeers," while his son, Tipu Sultan, later sent a corps of 5,000 rocket troops against the English.

In 1897 the British sailed the ship, the "Hague," to the ground through use of rocket equipped ships. The British Revolutionary war, rockets were also used against the American forces at Fort Mifflin, Baltimore, where the "rockets" red glare" gave birth to the Star Spangled Banner.

With the introduction of other weapons and the development of gun and cannon, rockets became obsolete and in 1939 the 20th century version of the rocket was still in its infancy.

When a navy plane fires a salvo of rockets at a target hundreds of miles from its carrier, it can have the same devastating effect as a salvo from the river-bank gun destroyer, according to navy ordnance experts.

Heroine of Resistance
Revealed as an American
PARIS. — "Pauline" of the French resistance has emerged from the underground and is scheduled to be a product of Philadelphia's Main Line and New York's Park Avenue.

She is Mrs. Jacques Allier, born Mary Astor Paul in Philadelphia. She is the former wife of Charles Munn, and the mother of Mrs. George P. Baker Jr., New York socialites.

"We still cannot tell the whole story of how things were done," the energetic gray-haired woman said. "The trouble in Europe is not finished. Part of my work was to transmit messages to the American legation in Bern, to Robert Murphy (United States Consul) in Africa, and to England."

"I had agents gathering information everywhere and I was known to them only as Pauline. They included waiters in restaurants patronized by a German, shopkeepers, and servants. I carried messages in my shoe in summer and rolled in a garter in the winter."

Build Plane for Army To Carry 204 Passengers
SAN DIEGO, CALIF. — The world's largest troop carrier, a land-based airplane, designated XC-99, is being constructed here by Consolidated Vultee Aircraft corporation for the Army. Harry Woodhead, Corsair president, announced recently.

The long range, high speed transport is the military counterpart of Corsair's recently announced model 27, a 204-passenger airliner ordered by Pan American World Airways for postwar transoceanic service. The XC-99 has a wingspan of 230 feet, a length of 183 feet, and is powered by six piston type engines.

Corsair's Fort Worth, Texas, and Vultee field, Calif., divisions are also building components for the giant transport.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Sept. 4. — Mrs. R. K. Lawson is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dickerson.

Miss Annie Martin, of Washington, D. C., spent last weekend with home people.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dickerson, of Grewe, Mrs. Nannie Scraggs, of Elkon and Mrs. Mittle Woodbridge of Lynchburg spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. J. B. Chilton, who has been confined to her bed for the past two weeks, is reported better. Her daughter, Mrs. D. K. Samples, is with her.

Fourth Quarterly Conference will be held at Salem Church Thursday evening at 7:30.

William Moon, who is a student at Emory University, Ga., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Moon.

Rev. J. W. Inge visited in the home of A. M. Goodman Sunday.

Mrs. A. C. Almond entertained at a birthday party Saturday evening in honor of Mr. Almond's birthday. Refreshments were served. All present enjoyed the evening.

Mr. Almond received many useful gifts.

Mrs. McLendon, of Lynchburg, spent several days last week in the home of G. K. Collins.

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